

LOCAL POLITICIANS

MEET AT ANTHONY.

Splendid Crowd Grooms Speakers
Benefit Supper a Success—
Nearly all the Candidates
Present.

On Friday afternoon the candidates for county office wended their way to Anthony, but as the populace is composed of farmers and truckers, no one paid much attention to their presence until after the day's work was done.

At 8 o'clock Mr. W. T. Forbes, executive committeeman for that precinct, called the citizens who had gathered at the auditorium, about three hundred in number, to order and announced that the candidates would in short speeches make known their views on various public matters so that the voter might intelligently cast his ballot for the one of his choice on May 10.

The first speaker called was C. L. Bittinger, candidate for treasurer. He made a short talk the greater part of which was devoted to the necessity of every family having a county paper in the home, its advantages as an educator of the young as well as the old, and its elevating effect on the country at large. The speaker said he had nothing to say against his opponent for the treasurer, but advised the voters to go slow in voting to put a man into the third term as the precedent might prove disastrous at some future time and the regrets could not then easily alter results.

Thos. E. Pasteur, the present county treasurer, then made a few remarks in which he stated that his only claim to the office lay in his record as an officer in the past, and if the voters thought that he had conducted matters in an efficient manner since his incumbency he asked their support at the coming election.

W. D. Carr being absent, C. L. Bittinger responded for him in a few well chosen remarks, telling of his claims for the office of superintendent of public instruction.

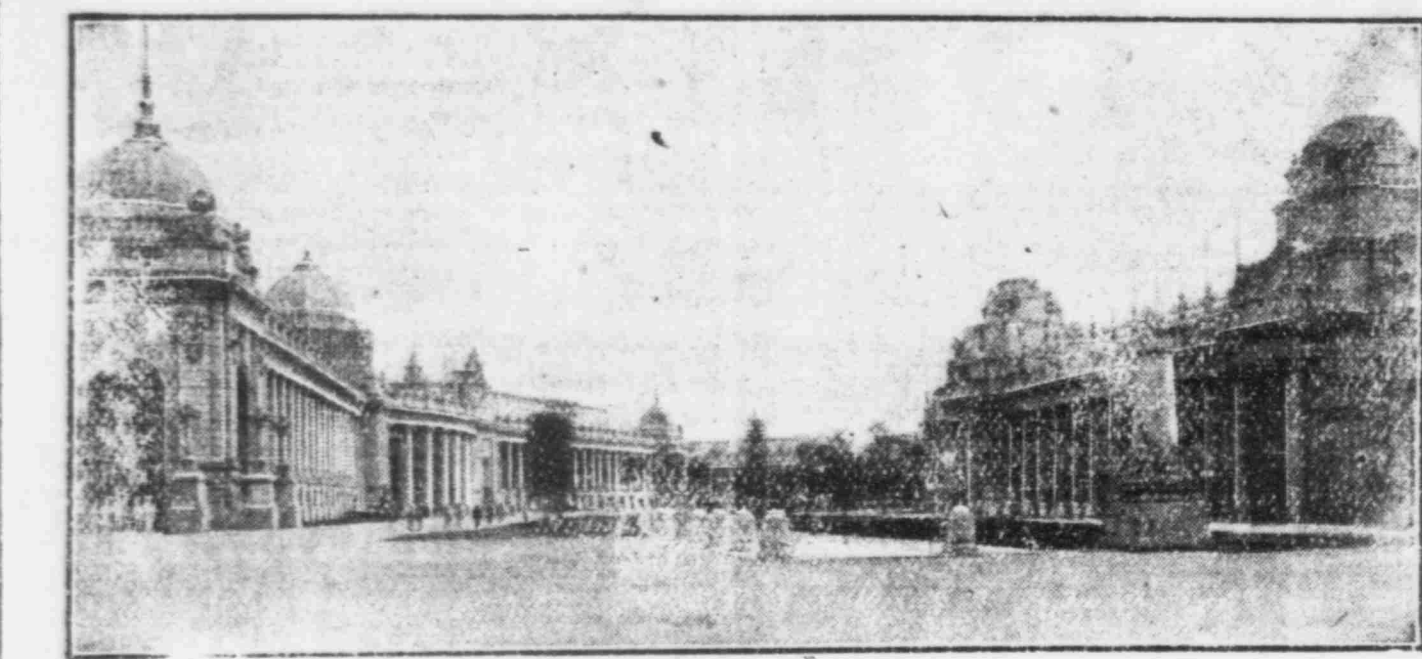
W. D. Bobbitt, candidate for commissioner from the fifth district, outlined his policy in a short speech. He said he would if elected, serve the whole district and not only his section; would oppose the construction of hard roads under the present methods; opposed the too free issuing of bonds for carrying firearms; thinks the board should pay more attention to the assessment of taxes.

C. W. Turner, aspirant for commissioner's honors from the same district, being at his own home and through courtesy to the visitors, waved his right to be heard. L. T. Hickson, of Orange Lake, who is also a candidate for commissioner from this district, being ill asked to be excused from making a speech.

D. R. Zetrouer, candidate for superintendent of public instruction, laid out his proposed course in case of his election; would devote his entire attention to the office; improve the school system whenever possible. He said he could safely promise to voters that if elected he positively would not ask for a third term whatever the change of conditions were.

Alfred Ayer was the next speaker, and expressed his disappointment at the absence from the meeting of his opponent, Mr. Mathews, as he wanted to get the straight of certain rumors that had been going the rounds for the past few weeks to the effect that the assessor's books were in a deplorable condition. He said he did not consider charges of this nature as "mudslinging" or "pepperbox" campaigning, as every voter and tax payer had a perfect right to criticize the record of an official, but he wanted to get at the bottom of the charges so as to be able to defend himself. Mr. Mathews, his opponent, had been on the grounds in the afternoon, but business interests called him home before the meeting began.

C. L. Sistrunk, candidate for the legislature, was then introduced and in a clear and forceful manner put his views before his listeners. He stated that he was not a platform maker, but would stand on the democratic platform enunciated by the state and national organizations; favors school laws that will enable pupils from our



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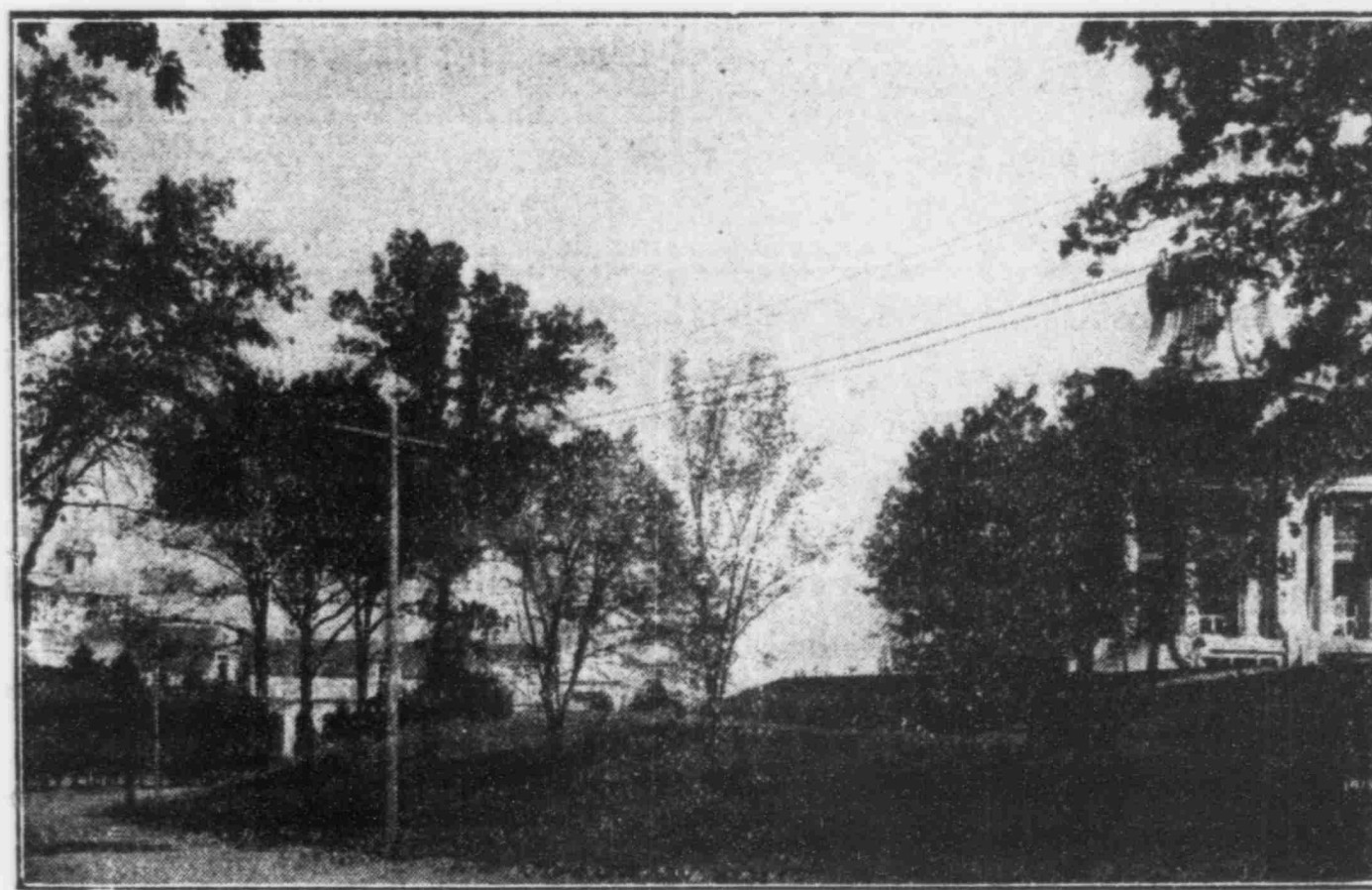
public schools to go out into the world and stand abreast of the college graduate in the business world; favors a more stringent vagrant law, one that will put to work the vast army of loafers in our towns, the farmer should be protected against unreliable labor, and believes he should have a contract law to that effect, opposes the no fence law as he believes this matter will settle itself at the proper time.

Ed L. Wartmann, Citra's favorite democratic leader, a candidate for legislative honors, was the next speaker. He said the tribute paid him by his neighbors in unanimously asking him to run for the office to which he now aspires contained more honor to him than would his election. He spoke feelingly of his more than twenty years residence among his neighbors and said the unbounded faith they had in him was worth more than the political honors they would thrust upon him. He referred to his platform as 'published and spoke on' these lines in no unmistakable terms; would vote to ask national congress to aid in building hard roads which he considered worth more to the citizens of Florida than any other one thing to aid in the upbuilding of the state; thinks the state should pay for the armory of our local military company instead of the county; the proper way to get the sentiment of the people on the fence question is to have a side ballot box at the primary and let every voter give his choice with the ballot; vagrancy law needs amendment and he will work to that end.

George G. Mathews, candidate for legislative honors, was the next to speak. He made a clear cut, concise and logical speech setting out his views on the important questions of the day; Mr. Mathews stated his preference for Hearst for president on account of the position he had taken against the trusts and said he considered this move one of vast importance as it meant an upheaval of the people against the money power; he is for Hearst not because he believes that he is the smartest man in the country, but for the principles he advocates; he said it had been brought out against him that he had lived so long in foreign countries that he could not have the proper interest in matters American; he replied to this by saying his living in South America and seeing things as they existed there inclined to make him more of a loyal American of him than he was before.

John B. Floyd, of Irvine, known over the county as the "no fence" candidate for the legislature, was then called upon and made a short speech explaining his views on his favorite theme. He said his views on the subject had gained in popularity since the last election; did not want a community to have the "no fence" unless they want it; he was reported after the last election as "dead," but he was there to state that he never was more alive in his life; he believes in compulsory payment of poll taxes; a uniform system of text books for our schools and the same prices paid by other states (which is now half of what Florida pays); favors labor contracts. "Send me to Tallahassee" says Floyd, "and if I do not secure these reliefs I will at least tell you why." He is a rapk "no fence" man, but says those who don't want it may turn their goats out and let them forage on their neighbors' crops if agreeable to the parties concerned.

The candidates for sheriff, Allan Rodgers, J. P. Galloway, J. L. Smoak and Henry Gordon, were present and each laid before the audience his reasons for wanting to be sheriff, each promising to fill the office to the



CASCADES, WORLD'S FAIR.

best of his ability, and speaking in the highest possible terms of his opponents. All seemed to have friends among those present, and those who are in a position to know say the vote for this office will be about equally divided in Anthony. Frank Pelot was not present.

Hon. Henry W. Long took the floor after the candidates had finished and made a splendid talk on the subject of good roads which was well received. Mr. Long also took a shot at some people who always proclaim that he controls the board of county commissioners and told them that he did not do so and had no desire to do so.

The ladies of Anthony served ice cream, cake and lemonade during the evening and netted something over sixty dollars, which was donated to a worthy family living in the place, whose father and husband had been stricken with paralysis. Among the leaders in this move we noted Mrs. Tom Jones, Mrs. Talton, Mrs. Pfifer and Mrs. Simmons. They were ably assisted by a bevy of Marion county's prettiest and most charming young ladies, for which Anthony and surrounding country is justly noted.

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Chronic Sores

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Nothing is a source of so much trouble as an old sore or ulcer, particularly when located upon the lower extremities where the circulation is weak and sluggish. A gangrenous eating ulcer upon the leg is a frightful sight, and as the poison burrows deeper and deeper into the tissues beneath and the sore continues to spread, one can almost see the flesh melting away and feel the strength going out with the sickening discharges. Great running sores and deep offensive ulcers often develop from a simple boil, swollen gland, bruise or pimple, and are a threatening danger always, because while all such sores are not cancerous, a great many are, and this should make you suspicious of all chronic, slow-healing ulcers and sores, particularly if cancer runs in your family. Face sores are common and cause the greatest annoyance because they are so persistent and unsightly and detract so much from one's personal appearance. Middle aged and old people and those whose blood is contaminated and tainted with the germs and poison of malaria or some previous sickness, are the chief sufferers from chronic sores and ulcers. While the blood remains in an unhealthy polluted condition, and the sore will continue to grow and spread in spite of washes and salves, for the sore is the outward sign of some constitutional disorder, a bad condition of the blood and system, which local remedies cannot cure. A blood purifier and tonic is what you need—something to cleanse the blood, quicken the circulation and invigorate the constitution, and S. S. S. is just such a remedy. It counteracts and removes from the blood all the impurities and poisons, and gradually builds up the entire system; and when the blood has been purified the healing process begins and the ulcer or sore is soon entirely gone. S. S. S. contains no mineral or poisonous drugs of any description, but is guaranteed purely vegetable, a blood purifier and tonic combined and a safe and permanent cure for chronic sores and ulcers. If you have a slow-healing sore of any kind, external or internal, write us about it, and our physicians will advise you without charge. Book on "The Blood and Its Diseases" free.

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